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United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)Office Action (Official Letter) About Applicant's Trademark Application

U.S. Application Serial No. 97184776

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FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Issue date: January 24, 2023

INTRODUCTION

This Office action is in response to applicant's communication filed on December 26, 2022.

In a previous Office action dated June 30, 2022, the trademark examining attorney refused registration of the applied-for mark based on the following: Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1) - Descriptiveness Refusal. In addition, applicant was required to satisfy the following requirements: (1) amend the identification of goods and services, and (2) provide a valid domicile.

Based on applicant's response, the trademark examining attorney notes that the following requirements have been satisfied: (1) definite amended identification provided and (2) valid domicile provided. *See* TMEP §§713.02, 714.04.

Further, the trademark examining attorney maintains and now makes FINAL the refusal in the summary of issues below. See 37 C.F.R. §2.63(b); TMEP §714.04.

SUMMARY OF ISSUES MADE FINAL that applicant must address:

• Section 2(e)(1) - Descriptiveness Refusal

SECTION 2(e)(1) – DESCRIPTIVENESS REFUSAL

Registration is refused because the applied-for mark merely describes a feature of applicant's goods and services. Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1), 15 U.S.C. §1052(e)(1); see TMEP §§1209.01(b), 1209.03 et seq.

A mark is merely descriptive if it describes an ingredient, quality, characteristic, function, feature, purpose, or use of an applicant's goods and services. TMEP §1209.01(b); see, e.g., In re TriVita, Inc., 783 F.3d 872, 874, 114 USPQ2d 1574, 1575 (Fed. Cir. 2015) (quoting In re Oppedahl & Larson LLP, 373 F.3d 1171, 1173, 71 USPQ2d 1370, 1371 (Fed. Cir. 2004)); In re Steelbuilding.com, 415 F.3d 1293, 1297, 75 USPQ2d 1420, 1421 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (citing Estate of P.D. Beckwith, Inc. v. Comm'r of Patents, 252 U.S. 538, 543 (1920)).

Generally, if the individual components of a mark retain their descriptive meaning in relation to the goods and services, the combination results in a composite mark that is itself descriptive and not registrable. *In re Fat Boys Water Sports LLC*, 118 USPQ2d 1511, 1516 (TTAB 2016) (citing *In re Tower Tech, Inc.*, 64 USPQ2d 1314, 1317-18 (TTAB 2002)); TMEP §1209.03(d); *see, e.g., In re*

Cannon Safe, Inc., 116 USPQ2d 1348, 1351 (TTAB 2015) (holding SMART SERIES merely descriptive of metal gun safes); In re King Koil Licensing Co., 79 USPQ2d 1048, 1052 (TTAB 2006) (holding THE BREATHABLE MATTRESS merely descriptive of beds, mattresses, box springs, and pillows).

Only where the combination of descriptive terms creates a unitary mark with a unique, incongruous, or otherwise non-descriptive meaning in relation to the goods and services is the combined mark registrable. *See In re Colonial Stores, Inc.*, 394 F.2d 549, 551, 157 USPQ 382, 384 (C.C.P.A. 1968); *In re Positec Grp. Ltd.*, 108 USPQ2d 1161, 1162-63 (TTAB 2013).

In this case, both the individual components and the composite result are descriptive of applicant's goods and services and do not create a unique, incongruous, or non-descriptive meaning in relation to the goods and services. Specifically, applicant seeks registration of the applied-for mark in association with:

"Downloadable computer application software for blockchain-based platforms, namely, software platforms for distributed applications and software using a consensus engine incorporating blockchain technology for securing data with cryptographic information; Downloadable computer software for connecting users to third party cryptocurrency services; Downloadable computer software for connecting users to third party identity verification services; Downloadable user identity authentication and verification software; Downloadable user identity authentication and verification software for purposes of uniqueness verification, proof-of-personhood, Self-sovereign identity (SSI), Sybil-resistant for human identification, identity verification, cryptocurrency wallet creation, cryptocurrency deposit, and assisting users in complying with associated regulatory requirements; Computers and electronic devices for user identity authentication and verification; Computers and electronic devices for user identity authentication and verification for purposes of uniqueness verification, proof-of-personhood, Self-sovereign identity (SSI), Sybil-resistant consensus for human identification, identity verification, cryptocurrency wallet creation, cryptocurrency deposit, and assisting users in complying with associated regulatory requirements; Identification equipment for individuals, namely, optical apparatus and instrumentation for recording and processing sound, images, and data; Identification equipment for individuals, namely, optical apparatus and instrumentation for recording and processing sound, images, and data for purposes of uniqueness verification, proof-ofpersonhood, Self-sovereign identity (SSI), Sybil-resistant consensus for human identification, identity verification, identity verification, cryptocurrency wallet creation, cryptocurrency deposit, and assisting users in complying with associated regulatory requirements; Computers and electronic devices for the dispensing cryptocurrency and generating cryptocurrency wallets, and recorded and downloadable computer software for operating such devices; Data terminals, namely, mobile data terminals, handheld terminals, countertop terminals, portable terminals; Point of sale terminals; Electronic biometric identification data records," in International Class 009;

"Providing on-line non-downloadable computer software and a website for connecting users to third party cryptocurrency services; Providing on-line non-downloadable computer software and a website featuring technology for connecting users to third party identity verification services; Providing on-line non-downloadable computer software for payment authentication and secure transaction verification; Providing on-line non-downloadable computer software for user identity authentication and verification; Providing on-line non-downloadable computer software for user identity authentication and verification for purposes of uniqueness verification, proof-of- personhood, Self-sovereign identity (SSI), Sybil-resistant consensus for human identification, identity verification, identity verification, cryptocurrency wallet creation, cryptocurrency deposit, and assisting users in complying with

associated regulatory requirements," in International Class 042.

As previously noted, "[t]he world refers to all of the people who live on this planet." See previously attached evidence from Collinsdictionary.com. The wording "**ID**" is short for "*identification*," and describes the function of applicant's software applications, which is "*identity* authentication and verification software." See previously attached Internet evidence from Merriam-Webster.com. Therefore, the wording "**WORLD ID**" refers to the scope of applicant's intended users for it's "identification software." A mark that describes an intended user or group of users of a product or service is merely descriptive. *E.g.*, *In re Planalytics*, *Inc.*, 70 USPQ2d 1453 (TTAB 2004) (holding GASBUYER merely descriptive of intended user of risk management services in the field of pricing and purchasing natural gas); *In re Camel Mfg. Co.*, 222 USPQ 1031 (TTAB 1984) (holding MOUNTAIN CAMPER merely descriptive of intended users of retail and mail order services in the field of outdoor equipment and apparel); *see* TMEP §1209.03(i).

With respect to the wording "ID", terms that describe the function or purpose of a product or service may be merely descriptive. TMEP §1209.03(p); see, e.g., In re Hunter Fan Co., 78 USPQ2d 1474, 1477 (TTAB 2006) (holding ERGONOMIC merely descriptive of ceiling fans); In re Wallyball, Inc., 222 USPQ 87, 89 (TTAB 1984) (holding WALLYBALL merely descriptive of sports clothing and game equipment); In re Orleans Wines, Ltd., 196 USPQ 516, 517 (TTAB 1977) (holding BREADSPRED merely descriptive of jams and jellies).

Thus, here the individual descriptive words in this applied-for mark retain their descriptive nature when they are used together here, as they describe the worldwide use of applicant's software application for identity authentication. Accordingly, registration is refused under Section 2(e)(1).

Applicant's Arguments against the Refusal are Unpersuasive

Applicant asserts that the wording in the mark is not "100% descriptive," which means the mark as a whole is not descriptive. The trademark examining attorney disagrees with applicant's premise based on the cited treatise. It is well established that "[w]hether consumers could guess what the product [or service] is from consideration of the mark alone is not the test." *In re Am. Greetings Corp.*, 226 USPQ 365, 366 (TTAB 1985). The question is not whether someone presented only with the mark could guess what the goods or services are, but "whether someone who knows what the goods and services are will understand the mark to convey information about them." *DuoProSS Meditech Corp. v. Inviro Med. Devices, Ltd.*, 695 F.3d 1247, 1254, 103 USPQ2d 1753, 1757 (Fed. Cir. 2012) (quoting *In re Tower Tech, Inc.*, 64 USPQ2d 1314, 1316-17 (TTAB 2002)); *In re Mueller Sports. Med., Inc.*, 126 USPQ2d 1584, 1587 (TTAB 2018). In the present case, a consumer would immediately understand that applicant offers a software application for worldwide use. Applicant asserts no other interpretation for this wording.

Applicant asserts that the wording in the mark is so broad and weak that it cannot be descriptive of anything. Then, the applicant acknowledges the descriptive meaning by stating that "the term WORLD may be used in connection with any good or service that is *global* in nature, or that is offered to a *global* audience" (emphasis added). Thus, applicant's very argument acknowledges that the wording "WORLD" would be perceived as merely describing goods and services as "global" in nature. TMEP §1209.03(o) specifically states:

descriptive of services that are nationwide or international in scope. See In re Chamber of Commerce of the U.S., 675 F.3d 1297, 102 USPQ2d 1217 (Fed. Cir. 2012) (NATIONAL CHAMBER merely descriptive of nationwide online directory services featuring information regarding local and state chambers of commerce and business and regulatory data analysis services for nationally promoting the interests of businesspersons or industry); In re Institutional Investor, Inc., 229 USPQ 614 (TTAB 1986) (INTERNATIONAL BANKING INSTITUTE for organizing seminars for bank leaders of major countries held incapable); In re Billfish Int'l Corp., 229 USPQ 152 (TTAB 1986) (BILLFISH INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION merely descriptive of corporation involved with billfish on an international scale); In re Nat'l Rent A Fence, Inc., 220 USPQ 479 (TTAB 1983) (NATIONAL RENT A FENCE merely descriptive of nationwide fence rental services); BankAmerica Corp. v. Int'l Travelers Cheque Co., 205 USPQ 1233 (TTAB 1979) (INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS CHEQUE merely descriptive of financial consulting services that are international in scope); Nat'l Fid. Life Ins. v. Nat'l Ins. Trust, 199 USPQ 691 (TTAB 1978) (NATIONAL INSURANCE TRUST merely descriptive of services of handling administrative matters in locating suitable insurance coverage for attorneys); Jefferson Bankshares Inc. v. Jefferson Sav. Bank, 14 USPQ2d 1443, 1447 (W.D. Va. 1989) (NATIONAL BANK merely descriptive of banking services); Nat'l Auto. Club v. Nat'l Auto Club, Inc., 365 F. Supp. 879, 180 USPQ 777 (S.D.N.Y. 1973), aff'd, 502 F.2d 1162 (2d Cir. 1974) (NATIONAL merely descriptive of auto club services).

The terms "GLOBAL" and "WORLDWIDE" are also considered to be merely descriptive of services that are global or worldwide in scope.

Note: A map of the world or a depiction of a globe generally is not considered the pictorial equivalent of the terms "INTERNATIONAL," "GLOBAL," or "WORLDWIDE."

(emphasis added).

Despite the applicant's argument that wording "WORLD" does not tell applicant anything about the goods, all of the evidence in this case is clearly to the contrary.

Applicant avers that the wording "ID" has other meanings such as the abbrevation for the Latin wording "ID EST". Yet, descriptiveness is considered in relation to the relevant goods and services. *DuoProSS Meditech Corp. v. Inviro Med. Devices, Ltd.*, 695 F.3d 1247, 1254, 103 USPQ2d 1753, 1757 (Fed. Cir. 2012). "That a term may have other meanings in different contexts is not controlling." *Robinson v. Hot Grabba Leaf, LLC*, 2019 USPQ2d 149089, at *5 (TTAB 2019) (citing *In re Canine Caviar Pet Foods, Inc.*, 126 USPQ2d 1590, 1598 (TTAB 2018)); TMEP §1209.03(e). "It is well settled that so long as any one of the meanings of a term is descriptive, the term may be considered to be merely descriptive." *In re Mueller Sports Med., Inc.*, 126 USPQ2d 1584, 1590 (TTAB 2018) (quoting *In re Chopper Indus.*, 222 USPQ 258, 259 (TTAB 1984)).

Furthermore, the attached Internet evidence reveals that the wording "WORLD" and "ID" are

commonly used in association with software applications to describe their global nature and/or identification software. Websites, webpages, and dictionaries are generally competent sources for determining how the public perceives the mark in connection with applicant's goods and services. *See In re N.C. Lottery*, 866 F.3d 1363, 1367-68, 123 USPQ2d 1707, 1709-10 (Fed. Cir. 2017); *In re Nett Designs, Inc.*, 236 F.3d 1339, 1341, 57 USPQ2d 1564, 1566 (Fed. Cir. 2001) (citing *In re Bed & Breakfast Registry*, 791 F.2d 157, 160, 229 USPQ 818, 819 (Fed. Cir. 1986)); TMEP §1209.01(b).

Finally, applicant argues that any doubt regarding the mark's descriptiveness should be resolved on applicant's behalf. *E.g.*, *In re Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Inc.*, 828 F.2d 1567, 1571, 4 USPQ2d 1141, 1144 (Fed. Cir. 1987); *In re Zuma Array Ltd.*, 2022 USPQ2d 736, at *8 (TTAB 2022) (quoting *In re Fallon*, 2020 USPQ2d 11249, at *8 (TTAB 2020)). However, in the present case, the evidence of record leaves no doubt that the mark is merely descriptive.

Applicant's mark is merely descriptive. Accordingly, registration is refused pursuant to Trademark Act Section 2(e)(1).

SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTER

Although an amendment to the Supplemental Register would normally be an appropriate response to this refusal, such a response is not appropriate in the present case. The instant application was filed under Trademark Act Section 1(b) and is not eligible for registration on the Supplemental Register until an acceptable amendment to allege use meeting the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §2.76 has been timely filed. 37 C.F.R. §2.47(d); TMEP §§816.02, 1102.03.

If applicant files an acceptable allegation of use and also amends to the Supplemental Register, the application effective filing date will be the date applicant met the minimum filing requirements under 37 C.F.R. §2.76(c) for an amendment to allege use. TMEP §§816.02, 1102.03; see 37 C.F.R. §2.75(b). In addition, the undersigned trademark examining attorney will conduct a new search of the USPTO records for conflicting marks based on the later application filing date. TMEP §§206.01, 1102.03.

Proper Response to a Final Action

Applicant must respond within six months of the date of issuance of this final Office action or the application will be abandoned. 15 U.S.C. §1062(b); 37 C.F.R. §2.65(a). Applicant may respond by providing one or both of the following:

- (1) A response filed using the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS) that fully satisfies all outstanding requirements and/or resolves all outstanding refusals; and/or
- (2) An appeal to the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board filed using the Electronic System for Trademark Trials and Appeals (ESTTA) with the required filing fee of \$200 per class.

37 C.F.R. §2.63(b)(1)-(2); TMEP §714.04; see 37 C.F.R. §2.6(a)(18); TBMP ch. 1200.

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RESPONSE GUIDANCE

- Missing the deadline for responding to this letter will cause the application to abandon. A response, appeal, or extension request must be received by the USPTO on or before 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time of the last day of the response deadline. Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS) and Electronic System for Trademark Trials and Appeals (ESTTA) system availability could affect an applicant's ability to timely respond. For help resolving technical issues with TEAS, email TEAS@uspto.gov.
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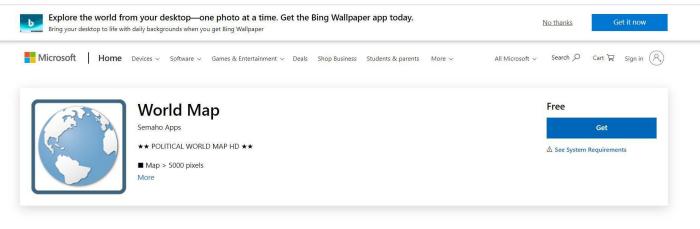
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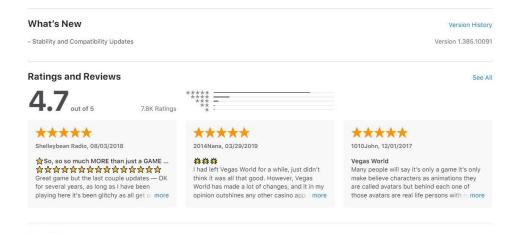
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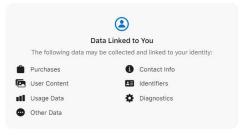


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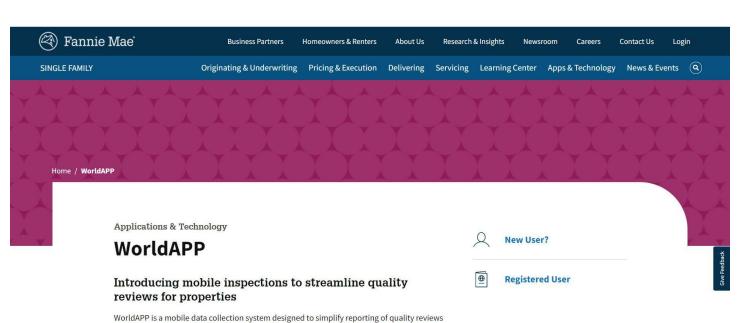
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 b. The universe: how the ancients conceived the world.

a. Humankind considered as social beings; human society: turned her back on the world. **b.** People as a whole; the public: *The event amazed the world.*

D. People as a whole; the public: The event amazed the world.
3. often World A specified part of the earth: the Western World.
4. A part of the earth and its inhabitants as known at a given period in history: the ancient world.
5. A realm or domain: the animal world; the world of imagination.
6.

a. A sphere of human activity or interest: the world of sports.
b. A class or group of people with common characteristics or pursuits: the scientific world.
7. A particular way of life: the world of the homeless.
8. All that relates to or affects the life of a person: He saw his world collapse about him.
9. Secular life and its concerns: a man of the world.

a. Human existence; life: brought a child into the world.

b. A state of existence: the next world.
 11. often WorldS A large amount; much: did her a world of good; candidates that are worlds apart on foreign policy.
 12. A celestial body such as a planet: the possibility of life on other worlds.

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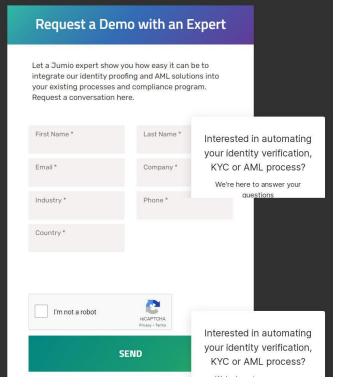
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ID Verification, Validation, and Authentication – What's the Difference?

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Not all identity verification is created equally. Many businesses think they are performing age verification, when the hardware and software they are using is not actually equipped to detect suspicious IDs. More than 46% of college students say they've used a fake ID to get

ID scanning does not necessarily include any level of verification or authentication. In many cases, the scanning software is simply calculating if the birth and expiration dates indicate that a given individual is of age, and that their ID is not expired. There are no requirements for embedded security features.

ID Scanning Considerations

- Hardware capabilities. Low quality hardware will be less capable of detecting fake IDs.
- Sophistication of 2D barcode parsing algorithm.
- Breadth of IDs you need to verify on a daily basis. Large states with lots of ID holders have often been seen by algorithms more frequently, and thusly fakes are detected more readily.
- Third party integrations. If you have a POS system or database, you will want scanning software that integrates, especially if you have PII retention requirements.
- Staff training
- State-level compliance requirements.

These are essentially what could be called "easter egg checks." Most ID formats have some intentional quirks

or known consistencies. This might be something as simple as "for all Nebraska IDs, the ID number always starts with an A or a Q." These are validation points that our algorithms have identified over our 15+ years scanning IDs, and so we've built them into our 2D barcode security checks to help catch some fake IDs.

2D barcode security checks can be done using all ID scanners, including $\underline{\text{mobile phones}}.$

Data from the ID can also be parsed into your database, CRM, or POS at this stage.

Low quality fake IDs are often unable to pass barcode security. So this is a great base for age verification and fake detection. When tested against a library of known fakes, more than half failed this stage of verification.

For an additional layer of ID verification, some scanners can compare the data contained in the barcode with the data on the front of the ID, using optical character recognition.

Best-in-Class 2D Barcode Security

- Scans the 2D barcode in 1 second or less
- Can check against all parseable fields stored inside the 2D barcode
- Can scan and parse all US and Canadian IDs and drivers licenses
- Can scan and parse all passport and passport ID MRZs
- Performs algorithmic checks against common 2D barcode errors and
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At this stage, every aspect of the ID will be examined using powerful cameras. The ID will be checked against hologram and watermark libraries. It will be scanned using white, infrared and UV light. It will also undergo an additional series of algorithmic checks which look for variances in spelling, spacing, and

ID design versus known standards. Six images of the ID are simultaneously compared.

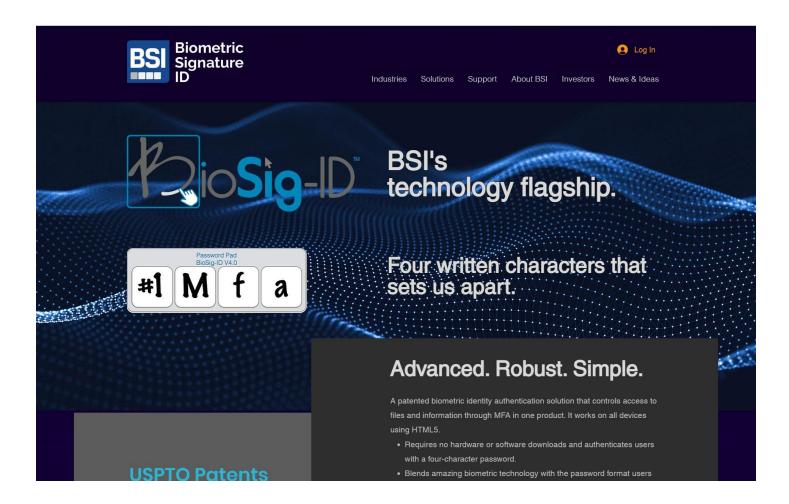
Because of the rigor of authentication, reading and returning results for each ID can take up to 10 seconds. This time is variable depending on the scanner, as well as the processing power of the computer that is being used to run the authentication software.

ID authentication can be performed concurrently with 2D barcode security checks and ID parsing. Authentication provides the highest degree of fake detection and accurately catches up to 95% of suspicious IDs. Even the best fake ID manufacturers have difficulty passing the hundreds of checks that are done in the authentication stage.



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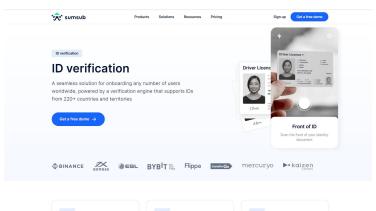


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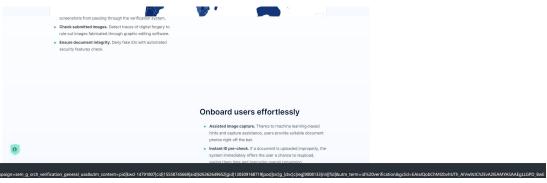






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IDENTITY AUTHENTICATION

Fraud Prevention via Identity Authentication



Identity Authentication Overview

The world is in the throes of an identity theft epidemic. Mass data breaches by tech-savvy individuals and organized criminal groups has led to consecutive periods of year-over-year double-digit growth in the losses experienced by organizations resulting from fraudulent use of stolen identities.

For many reasons, public facing organizations must concern themselves with ensuring that they know who their customer is. Whether to maintain compliance with regulations such as the Red Flag Rules associated with the Bank Secrecy Act, or to protect the assets and properties that may be accessed using a victim's personally identifying information, the need to authenticate individual identity is more important than ever.

Consumers want to transact with your company quickly and efficiently, with minimum trouble, from anywhere they may be. For most companies that provide high trust services and products, the challenge lies in accommodating this customer demand for convenience while still maintaining compliance and



minimizing the risk of losses that may result from fraud.

When a customer presents identification – a driver license, a state-issued ID, a passport, a military ID, or similar– it is up to the recipient organization to determine whether or not the given identification is genuine. It will become of increasingly great importance to organizations that they be able to conduct



this task efficiently and effectively regardless of where the customer may be attempting to conduct their transactions.

In-Person Point of Transaction Identity Authentication

The most direct and easy way to authenticate a person's identity is to authenticate their identity credential document to make sure that it is not a forgery.

When that person is right there at the checkout counter or teller window, the process is fairly straightforward. FraudFighter supplies two types of authentication device to be used in this situation:

✓ Ultraviolet detectors for manual authentication

♥ PALIDIN + forensic document scanners for automated authentication



Online and Mobile Transaction Identity Authentication

The great challenge now facing organizations is how to conduct identity authentication when the client is not at your location. Shopping. Banking. Accessing government services, existing accounts, or medical benefits. All can be conducted via web-based browsers, or – increasingly more common – via mobile applications.

How can organizations ensure that they know who their customer is in these circumstances?

FraudFighter believes that the answer must still lay in the authentication of the government-issued identity credential document. For this reason, FraudFighter has partnered with some of the leading global companies in development of a suite of mobile solutions - PALIDIN (Durendal) - that allows for the remote authentication of ID documents regardless of where the client may be when they transact with you.

Credentialing Your Constituents



For many organizations, the business case justifies a procedure that allows for the repeated authentication of clients through simple, automated processes.

FraudFighter's PALIDIN solution is designed to help you build and manage just such an ability.

PALIDIN can be the primary identity management tool for an organization. The PALIDIN process involves
"credentialing" your constituents - whether they by customers, members, employees, or other. The first step lies in
establishing your trust in this individual's identity. PALIDIN enables this through a two-phase process that involves, first, authenticating their
government-issued identity document, then, performing a facial match of the live individual against the image on the identity document.

This, then, allows an organization to begin transitioning the individual into becoming a "trusted identity" - a term that means, generally, that "we believe you are the person you claim to be and that we can assertively verify you no matter what channel you are using to deal with us."

It would not be prudent, however, to believe that every time a client interacts with an organization, that they should be required to undergo an ID document authentication. This could be costly, time-consuming, and create friction in transactional environments.

Instead, **PALIDIN** allows clients to mix and match various different multi-modal active and passive identification services - such as behavioral biometrics, behavioral analysis, physical biometrics, and more - to ultimately move the individual into the "trusted identity" category.

In this way, your authenticated clients can be identified when conducting transactions -in many cases without having to say or do anything - a step that can be achieved fairly simply regardless of where they may be.

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A. Meteor associated with or appearing to radiate from a specified constitution of comet: Perscid.
 D. Member of a class of stars typified by a certain star in a specified constellation: Cepheid.
 3. Organism belonging to a specified taxonomic group, often a family having a name ending in -idae according to taxonomic principles or a class or other taxon having a name ending in -idae: cichlid, magnoliid.

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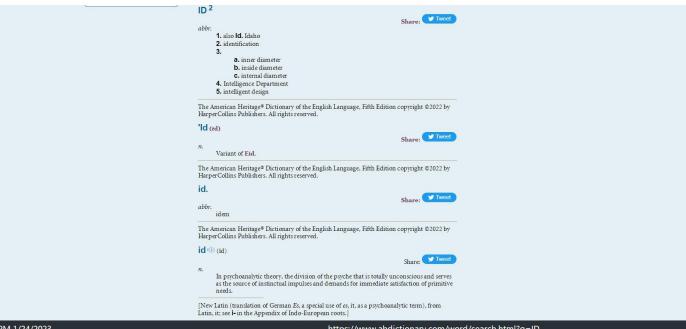
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